

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A content broker system comprising:
memory to store a device profile table accessible by a content broker module, the device profile table including information identifying at least one media device associated with a user account and a list of two or more media formats that can be utilized by the ~~played at a first subscriber at least one media device;~~ and
a content broker process server including the content broker module, the content broker module to:
~~provide send,~~ to a ~~third party~~ content provider that is distinct from the content broker system and the at least one media device, the list of two or more media formats that can be ~~played at the first subscriber~~ utilized by the at least one media device, wherein the list of ~~media formats~~ is retrieved from the memory;
~~provide to the third party a set of new usage rights associated with a previously accessed media asset, wherein the new usage rights invalidate permission to play the previously accessed media asset at the first subscriber media device and validate permission to play the previously accessed media asset at a second subscriber media device; and~~
~~acquire~~receive media content in a particular media format from the content provider, wherein the particular media format is selected by the content provider from the two or more media formats; and
receive a new digital rights license key from the ~~third party~~ content provider ~~in response to a subscriber request, the new digital rights license key enabling use of the media content to authorize the set of new usage rights.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the ~~content broker process server has access to a database maintaining~~ memory further includes a media asset table that includes data associated with the acquired media content acquired for the user account from a plurality of content providers, the data received from the content broker module, the data including, for each media content item, a unique identifier, a title, a category, a media type, a media characteristic, usage rights, a license key, a purchase date, a distributor purchase ID, a distributor unique content ID, and a distributor identifier.

3. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim ~~[[1]]~~2, further comprising a single sign-on identity service to ~~maintain~~authorize access to the user account based on received accounts and single sign-on authentication credentials, and to authorize access to the plurality of content providers based on the received single sign-on authentication credentials including a password and biometric information.

4. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim ~~[[1]]~~3, ~~further comprising a web server to wherein~~ authorizing access to the plurality of content providers includes:
aggregating aggregate media content titles of media content available from the third party plurality of content providers provider;
receiving a provide subscriber request to access to the media content as identified by the media content titles; and
sending an access request to the content provider along with the list of two or more media formats that can be utilized by the at least one media device.

5. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, further comprising a network interface that uses web services protocols to communicate with the ~~third party~~ content provider.

6. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim ~~[[1]]~~3, wherein the ~~third party~~ content provider uses the single sign-on authentication credentials to verify a user's subscription to a hosting service and to initiate requests to obtain device profile information including the list of two or more media formats that can be utilized by the at least one media device.

7. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 6, wherein the content broker module receives media content information, the media file content, and the digital rights usage license keykeys in response to a content purchase request by the user.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of distributing content, the method comprising: electronically ~~requesting~~sending, by a processor, ~~new a usage rights request requesting~~ usage rights for a ~~previously-accessed~~ media asset, wherein the ~~new~~ usage rights ~~invalidate permission to play the previously-accessed media asset at a first subscriber media device and~~ validate permission to play the ~~previously-accessed~~ media asset at a ~~second~~ subscriber media device; sending device profile information regarding the subscriber media device, wherein the device profile information specifies two or more media formats that are compatible with the subscriber media device; receiving the ~~media asset~~content in a media format compatible with the subscriber media device~~requested new usage rights from at least one of a plurality of content provider, wherein the media format is selected by the content provider based on the device profile information~~websites; and receiving from ~~[[a]]~~ the content provider media characteristics including the media format and fidelity, along with the content of the received media asset and a ~~new~~ digital rights license key, the ~~new~~ digital rights license key to authorize the requested ~~new~~ usage rights.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein, in response to receiving the usage rights request and the device profile information, the content provider adapts the media asset~~further comprising adapting the content~~ with regard to media format, resolution, fidelity, or bit rate to accommodate the ~~requested new usage right request~~rights.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein a hosting service obtains the ~~new~~ digital rights license key and notifies the content provider of receipt of the ~~new~~ digital rights license key.

11. (Withdrawn) A method of processing a remote command from a third party site to facilitate direct ordering in conjunction with content broker services, the method comprising:
receiving a request from a third party site inquiring as to the authenticity of a subscriber
using a single sign-on identifier to access the third party site;
receiving notification of a purchase request at a content broker site from the third party
site;
receiving a request from the third party site regarding device characteristics of a
subscriber device;
transmitting device information relating to the device characteristics;
receiving media information including media type, size, license key, and media content;
and
storing the media information in a media asset table.

12. (Withdrawn) The method of processing a remote command of claim 11, wherein the device information includes screen resolution computing capabilities, storage available, and audio capabilities.

13. (Withdrawn) The method of processing a remote command of claim 11, further comprising storing a copy of the media content.

14. (Withdrawn) The method of processing a remote command of claim 11, further comprising sending the media content to a requested device of the subscriber in response to the third party site.

15. (Withdrawn) A method of processing a request from a content service user, the method comprising:

- receiving a request from the user to replace a media file;
- scanning a media asset table to determine a supplier of the media file;
- communicating a purchase date, content identifier, and original license key to the supplier of the media file;
- informing the user of charges associated with re-obtaining the media file;
- receiving the media file and a new license key from the supplier of the media file; and
- updating the media asset table with an updated purchase date, content identifier, usage rights, and the new license key.

16. (Currently Amended) A system to provide a content brokerage service, the system comprising:

a content broker process server ~~including a content broker module to:~~

- provide to a subscriber access to the content brokerage service and access to a remote content provider using a set of single sign-on credentials; ~~to;~~
- ~~provide~~ send a device profile information associated with a subscriber media device of the subscriber to the remote content provider; ~~and to~~
- receive from the remote content provider ~~an updated~~ a license key to authorize a set of new usage rights associated with a previously accessed media asset, wherein the new set of usage rights invalidate permission to play the previously accessed media asset at a first subscriber media device and validates permission to play the previously accessed media asset at a second the subscriber media device; and

a memory to store the device profile ~~information, the memory further to provide the device profile information to the content broker module, wherein the device profile includes information identifying a plurality of media formats that are useable by the subscriber media device and memory information associated with the subscriber media device.~~

17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, wherein the content broker process server module is further to facilitate a facilitates distribution of the updated license key and the media asset content to the at least one subscriber media device.

18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 17, wherein the content broker process server module is to issue facilitates the distribution of the license key and the media asset by sending a request to the remote content provider, wherein the request instructs the remote content provider to send distribute the updated license key and the media content asset to the subscriber media device.

19. - 21. (Canceled).

22. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the device profile information includes a memory address to identify a free memory block to store distributed content data.

23. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, wherein the memory is further to store content asset information within a media asset table, the content asset information including an indicator specifying media format of one or more media assets authorized for use by the subscriber.

24. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 23, wherein the content asset information stored in the media asset table further includes purchase data.

25. - 28. (Canceled).

29. (Withdrawn) A method of managing content, the method comprising:
receiving a request for modified content with respect to a first version of content
distributed to a user;
determining a content provider associated with the first version of content;
communicating data to the content provider, the data associated with the distribution of
the first version of content;
communicating a modified content request to the content provider; and
receiving a second version of the content and a second license key associated with use of
the second version of the content.
30. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, further comprising retrieving the data from a
media asset table to determine the content provider associated with the first version of the
content.
31. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30, further comprising storing data associated
with the second version of the content into the media asset table.
32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, wherein the data associated with the
distribution of the first version of the content includes a unique content identification and a first
license key.
33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 32, wherein data associated with the distribution
of the first version of the content further includes purchase data.
34. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 33, wherein data associated with the second
version of the content includes a second purchase date, a second content identifier, and a second
license key.
35. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, wherein the second version of the content has
a different media format than the first version of the content.
36. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, further comprising receiving an indication of a
fee to be charged by the content provider to provide the second version of the content.

37. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 36, further comprising receiving confirmation from the user to pay the fee to the content provider.

38. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, wherein the second version of the content and the second license key are distributed to the user.

39. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29, wherein the request for modified content is received at a first computer site and wherein the second version of the content is stored at a second computer site associated with the content provider.

40. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 39, wherein the second version of the content is communicated from the second computer site to the first computer site.

41. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 40, wherein the second version of the content is a rights encoded copy of a media file.

42. - 49. (Canceled).

50. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[21]]16, wherein the device profile ~~information~~ further includes a media device identification of the subscriber media device.

51. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 23, wherein the content asset information further includes, for each of the one or more media assets, a media asset identity, a media asset title, and a media asset category.

52. (Canceled).

53. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the ~~set of new usage rights comprise~~ memory stores a media asset table associated with the user account, wherein the media asset table indicates usage rights associated with media assets, the usage rights including a right to store the previously accessed received media content asset on a specified at least one media device.

54. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the set of ~~new~~ usage rights comprise memory stores a media asset table associated with the user account, wherein the media asset table indicates usage rights associated with media assets, the usage rights including a right to store the previously accessed received media content asset in a specified the particular media format.

55. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the memory is further to store a log of media assets that are associated with the user account ~~previously purchased~~.

56. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein, in response to a user request to reacquire a previously accessed media asset, the content broker module is further to provide to the ~~third-party~~ content provider a license key obtained when the previously accessed media asset was purchased.

57. (Previously Presented) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the device profile table further includes device portability information.

58. (Currently Amended) The content broker system of claim 1, wherein the device profile table further includes information related to whether ~~a specified subscriber~~ the at least one media device includes a removable memory.

59. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the requested ~~new~~ usage rights include a right to store a previously accessed media asset on a specified device.

60. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the requested ~~new~~ usage rights include a right to store a previously accessed media asset in a specified format.

61. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, wherein the set of ~~new~~ usage rights comprises a right to store the ~~previously accessed media asset on a specified~~ the subscriber media device.

62. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, wherein the set of new usage rights comprises a right to store the ~~previously accessed~~ media asset in a specified format of the plurality of media formats that are useable by the subscriber media device.